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- 1. KUWAIT FUND FOR ARAB ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (KFAED) RECENTLY SIGNED KD 2.85 MILLION (KD 1 EQUALS \$3.38) LOAN AGREEMENT FOR TUNISIA. LOAN IS TO HELP FINANCE FISHING PORTS PROJECT AT SPAX, CHABBA, AND ZARZIS. GOT WILL USE FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THREE FISHING PORTS ALONG WITH SUPPORTING FACILITIES OF QUAYS, 4700 METER JETTYS, LONG SLIPWAYS, BEACONS, BUOYS, ICE FACTORIES, REFRIGERATION FACILITIES, WAREHOUSES, AUCTION CENTERS, WATER DISTRIBUTION NETWORKS, FUEL AND ELECTRICITY AND ROADS.
- 2. ACCORDING TO LOCAL NEWSPAPER STORY, CHABBA AND ZARZIS PROJECTS BEGAN IN OCTOBER '73 AND SCHEDULED TO BE COMPLETED BY END OF 1974. WORK AT SPAX EXPECTED TO BEGIN IN OCTOBER '74 AND COMPLETED BY END OF 1977.
- 3. KFAED LOAN EXTENDS FOR PERIOD OF 19 YEARS ALLOWING A FOUR-YEAR GRACE PERIOD. REPAYMENT WILL BE IN 30 SEMI-ANNUAL IN-STALLMENTS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1978 AND ENDING MAY 1, 1993. INTEREST RATE IS THREE PERCENT INCLUDING ANNUAL ADMIN-ISTRATIVE CHARGE OF ONE-HALF PERCENT. UNCLASSIFIED

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